# Developmental Disabilities Area Board #12

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## **Area Board Meeting**

#### AGENDA

Contact: Ace Atkinson, Executive Director 800-962-8073 or 951-656-5078

Saturday, April 28, 2007

Time: 9:30 A.M.

T.

Place: Ontario Airport Marriott
Salon 4
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# **INTRODUCTIONS.** Ana Garver, Chair

AIM OF AREA BOARD #12: Area Board shall protect and advocate the rights of all persons in the area with developmental disabilities. The Area Board shall promote the rights of persons with developmental disabilities to live, learn, work, and play in their communities with people without disabilities with supports and assistance necessary to benefit from being in typical community environments. The Area Board shall promote to people with developmental disabilities services, which are continuously improving in quality. Such services should be inconspicuous, and controlled by the user—with supports as necessary—who is responsible and accountable for the resources used to provide the services. The Area Board shall promote the empowerment of all persons with developmental disabilities, and their families, friends, and service providers, in the accomplishments of their individual goals and objectives. The Area Board shall promote beneficial interdependent relationships among people with developmental disabilities and their family, friends and community.

Aim frm Adopted 12/10/94 (chgs 10.31.98)

**NOTICE:** Members of the public are afforded an opportunity to speak for five minutes on any listed item. People wanting to speak should raise their hand, stand, or submit a written request in order to be recognized by the Chair. Matters not on the agenda and under "Public Participation" may not be acted upon at this meeting

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# II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A. The Area Board may deviate among agenda items to meet the Board's and its guest's needs as necessary.

## III PRESENTATION

A. West End Special Education Local Plan Area—Joann Reilly, Administrator for the West End Special Local Plan Area will brief the Area Board about the SELPA's responsibilities, goals and outcomes.

## IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A. The public is invited to make input to the Area Board. This forum is available for the public to express needs, facts, and feelings about services related to the welfare of persons with developmental disabilities.

1. Consumer Input. People with developmental disabilities are especially welcome to speak before the board.

# V OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Systemic Best Practices for Community Inclusion: The Area Board invites the public to make input on what services, supports, adaptations, and modifications are available or are needed in Area 12 in order for people with developmental disabilities to live, learn, work and play in their communities with people without disabilities with supports and assistance necessary to benefit from being in typical community environments.

## 1 Education

- a) The Area Board is interested in receiving input from students with developmental disabilities, and their relatives and friends as to the extent that they were welcomed, discouraged, or met resistance to requests for the student to be enrolled in general education in the schools. The Area Board is interested in identifying a school district that is a model of inclusiveness.
  - (1) Disability is Natural Free Press, March 2007, Quality of Life.

#### 2 Work/Income Generation

- a) SB 1370--The California Legislature directed the State Council on Developmental Disabilities to gather information and write a report about ideas for different and expanded nonresidential (work, social, recreational, school) opportunities for people with developmental disabilities. The Area Board will review the status of the report.
  - (1) Focus Group Meeting report dated March 22, 2007.
  - (2) State Council current Draft Report.
- 3. Home Ownership/Rental
- 4. Transportation
- 5. Play/Relationships

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## VI. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. February 3, 2007

## VII CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion, and there will be no discussion on individual items unless a Board member or member of the public requests a specific item be pulled from the calendar for separate discussion.

- A. Budget Items and Reports
  - 1 FY 2005-06 Basic State Grant Report
    - a) Expenditures—FY 2006/07 YTD
    - b) Reports
  - 2 FY 2005-06 Life Quality Assessments
    - a) Expenditures-FY 2006/07 YTD
    - b) Performance
      - (1) Inland
      - (2) Kern
  - 3. FY 2005-06 Clients Rights Advocacy/Volunteer Advocacy Services
    - a) Expenditures—FY 2006/07 YTD
    - b) Reports
  - 4. FY 2005-06 Self-Determination Initiative
    - a) Expenditures—FY 2006/07 YTD

#### VIII REPORTS

- A. Self-Advocacy
- B. Self-Determination
  - 1. Department of Developmental Services letter dated January 25, 2007, regarding implementing the Self-Directed Services program.
- C. Canyon Springs
- D. Inland Regional Center
  - 1. Area Board #12 letter dated February 7, 2007, supporting Inland Regional Center's proposal to reduce unplanned psychiatric hospitalizations in Riverside County.
- E Kern Regional Center
- F. Executive Committee
- G Education
  - 1. Associated Press article from NCTIMES com dated March 15, 2007, California's education system under the spotlight.
- H. Legislation
- I. Abuse Reduction
  - 1. LA Times article dated February 2, 2007, Caretaker accused of abusing two mentally disabled men.
  - 2. Slate com article dated Jan. 20, 2007, Girl Interrupted, The power to shrink human beings.
  - 3. Chicago Tribune article dated January 21, 2007, Upside of Down syndrome.

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- J. Financial Resources
- K. Living Arrangements
  - 1. Highland Community News 2-8 article, addressing the Group Home Dilemma.
  - 2. Press Enterprise article dated March 20, 2007, State investigates neighbor's years long protest of Norco Group home.
  - 3. Press Enterprise article dated April 5, 2007, Norco woman takes on neighboring group home.
  - 4. Press Enterprise editorial dated April 6, 2007, Misguided rage. (Norco Group Home).
  - 5. Sacramento Bee article dated April 8, 2007, Shift alarms parents. (Agnews Developmental Center closure.)

#### L Desert Areas

- 1. The Desert Sun article dated February 2007, Foundation for retarded says it will remain open.
- M Mountain Areas
- N. Southern Riverside County
- O. Inyo and Mono Counties
- P. Life Quality Assessment Project
- Q. Clients Rights Advocacy
- R. Volunteer Advocacy Services
- S. Wellness
- T State Council on Developmental Disabilities
  - 1. State Council on Developmental Disabilities Excerpts from the 2006 Program Performance Report
  - 2. AB Mini Grants

#### U. Chair

- 1. Department of Personnel Administration change in the exempt level of the Area Boards' Executive Directors.
- 2. University of Southern California's University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities letter dated April 2, 2007, recruiting participants for the Family Support Specialist discipline.

## V. Staff

- 1. Legislative Blue Ribbon Commission on Autism Reports
- 2. Executive Director's retirement postponed to March 30, 2008.
- 3. Inland Regional Center 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Inclusion Conference Feb. 12, 2007.
- IX. OTHER
- X NEXT AREA BOARD MEETING DATE, AND PLACE.
- **XI. 3:30 P.M. ADJOURN**

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